

# THE



# BELL

Working together - Together things work

Week Commencing: 24 September 2012

## Lunch Menu Week 1

Dear Parents,

Please see the list of extra curricular clubs that the school puts on for your children. I want to say thank you to those staff and parents who help to run these clubs. Well done to our year 5/6 football team who beat Oswestry School 4-1 on Tuesday night, thank you to Mr Walker for arranging this fixture and for coaching the team and also thank you to the parents who helped with transport.

Presently, as you know, we do not allow children to play on the Trim trail before school. This decision has been made because of health and safety and supervision issues. However I have contacted a number of different people in the authority who have assured me that as long as I regularly, make it clear in our weekly newsletter that it is **your responsibility to look after your child on the trim trail** and also that it is **only suitable for school aged pupils**, then it is acceptable for your children to play on the trim trail just before school. Also school staff will not be able to deal with first aid issues before school. Therefore I am willing to have a trial period upto half term to see if this new arrangement works. Obviously if the equipment is being used incorrectly then we will have to rethink our options. All the playground equipment has regular maintenance checks but if there are any major faults then the equipment will be out of use until it is repaired.

Thank you for your cooperation with this. Enjoy your weekend,

Sean Sibley.

## DIARY DATES

Monday 24 September

**DAHLICIOUS DRESS-UP DAY. Everyone dress up and pay £1.00**

8.35am

NO DEXYS TODAY

9.00am

Children in Year 6 go to Arthog.

(If your Year 6 child is not going to Arthog, they still need to come to school!)

All Day

Children in Years 1+2 doing Cycle Skills Workshops

3.15—4.00pm

SENCO Surgery

3.15—4.00pm

NO Netball Club as Miss Duggan is in Arthog

3.15—4.00pm

I-Pod Club for children in Years 3+4

3.15—4.30pm

Tag Rugby for children in years 5+6

Tuesday 25 September

8.35am

Dexys is on today, Thursday & Friday

10.00am

Year 2 Class Assembly—All parents/ carers welcome

11.00am

Children in Reception being photographed by The Advertizer

You MUST tell us if you DO NOT wish your child to be photographed

PM

Violins for children in Years 4+5

3.15—4.30pm

NO Football Club for children in Years 5+6 as Mr Walker is in Arthog

Wednesday 26 September

AM

Welly Wednesdays is on for children in Years 1+2

AM

Swimming for children in Years 3+5

12.30—1.00pm

Cross Stitch club for children in Years 5+6

PM

Sports Coaching for children in Years 1+2

3.15—4.15pm

Art & Craft Club for children in Years 1+2

3.15—4.30pm

J H Coaching—Football Club for all years £20 for this half term

Thursday 27 September

12.30—12.55pm

Choir for children in Years 3-6

3.15—4.15pm

Cricket for children in Years 3-6

Friday 28 September

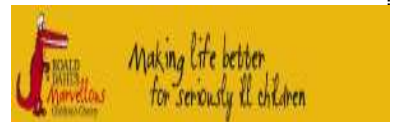
3.15—4.30pm

NO Football for children in Years 3+4 as Mr Walker is in Arthog

3.15—4.15pm

Gymnastics Club for children in Years 3-6

On MONDAY 24 September 2012 we are taking part in **The Dahlicious Dress Up Day**, a wonderfully fun and creative way to raise money for Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity. Children can dress up as any character from a Roald Dahl book or wear Roald's favourite colour (yummy yellow!) and pay £1.00. For dressing up ideas, please visit the charity's website at [www.roalddahlcharity.org/schools](http://www.roalddahlcharity.org/schools)



## BE TWO-ZERO HERO

### Design a postcard competition

Do you think the streets outside our homes and schools would be better if cars didn't go so fast?

We agree that 20 miles per hour should be the usual speed limit on roads where people live.

Design a postcard sharing your thoughts. The closing date for entries is 31 October.

Please see the poster in the school office window or visit [www.sustrans.org.uk/twozerohero](http://www.sustrans.org.uk/twozerohero)



## ATTENDANCE

Today we have had a visit from our EWO (Education Welfare Officer) who comes in every 3 weeks to check our attendance registers.

Please make every effort to ensure that your child arrives ON TIME at school each day and that you call the school office if they are unwell.

National Attendance Week is 8-12 October.

## Whittington Parish Community Toolkit Event

Thursday 4 October 2012, 6.30pm-9.45pm at  
Whittington Senior Citizens Hall

Would you like to be able to influence Shropshire Council planning policy in and around Whittington?

Up to 40 volunteers are being sought by the council to put their names forward for a one off community toolkit event.

If you would like to take part, please contact Mrs Lois Dale at Shropshire Council by 1.00pm on Monday 1 October 2012. Lois' telephone number is 01743 255667 or email her [lois.dale@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:lois.dale@shropshire.gov.uk)

## POSITIVE PARENTING COURSES

There are regular Parenting Workshops run around the area designed for all parents and carers.

The workshops stand alone and you do NOT have to attend all of them.

### WORKSHOP OUTLINE

The Power of Positive Parenting

Raising Confident, Competent Children

Raising Resilient Children

The next courses in our area are:-

DATE: 26 September and 3 October 2012

TIME: 1.00—3.00pm

VENUE: The Meadows Primary School,  
Harlech Road, Oswestry SY11 2EA

DATE: 14 and 21 September 2012

TIME: 1.00—3.00pm

VENUE: Gobowen Primary School,  
School Lane, Gobowen SY11 3LD

*Please contact Mrs Grice (via the school office) for more information*

## DRAMA WORKSHOP at WHITTINGTON CASTLE

Whittington Castle will be hosting a Drama Workshop on Saturday 29 September 11.00-12.30pm.

They are trying to recruit pupils who would like to take part in this year's Ghost Tours of the Castle which start on 12 October.

The dates are:-

Friday 12 October

Saturday 13 October

Friday 19 October

Saturday 20 October

Friday 26 October

Saturday 27 October

Thursday 1 November

Friday 2 November

The tours will take place at 6.30pm and will last 30-45 mins.

They are looking for pupils who would like to act as well as help with costume, makeup and box office.

Pupils get the chance to create their own parts in these tours and it is a great chance to build confidence and develop their talents.

For more information, please contact Sue Ellis on 01691 662500 or email [info@whittingtoncastle.co.uk](mailto:info@whittingtoncastle.co.uk)

FREE

## STICKY FINGERS

Sticky Fingers is an after school club open to children of ALL AGES that we run on the THIRD MONDAY of each month. There is a 50p charge, but this goes towards resources, a healthy snack and drink. We usually have a Bible story, and then do some arts and crafts activities or play games, relevant to the theme of the day.

The themes are as follows:-

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| October 15  | Animals in the Bible                |
| November 19 | Preparation for the Nativity        |
| December 3  | Rehearsal for Nativity              |
| December 9  | Nativity in Church (Sunday morning) |
| January 21  | Fish                                |

## OSWESTRY BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

Inspired by Team GB's ladies football team? Want to play football but don't know how to get started?

If you are in Year 1 and above join us at girls coaching on Fridays at 6-7pm

For more information, please call  
Alison on 657558 or  
Kev on 07917612815